

REMARKS

Claims 1-13 are pending in the present application.

Claims 14-15 have been added.

Entry of the above amendments is earnestly solicited.

An early and favorable first action on the merits is earnestly requested.

Should there be any matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact OSRAM SYLVANIA at (978) 777-1900.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE."

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE:

The Abstract of the Disclosure has been amended as follows:

Abstract of the Disclosure

[Supply unit]

[The invention relates to a] A supply unit (1) for detecting the identity of and for supplying power to LED units (2). The supply unit (1) firstly determines, [by means of] via a detection unit (7), the identity of a connected LED unit (2) by the application of an electrical quantity and reception of a further electrical quantity generated in response thereto by an identification unit (3). By [means of] a control unit (6), the power supply required for the LED unit (2) can subsequently be determined using the identity determined and [said] the power supply can be output to the LED unit (2) via an output unit (5). In this case, both the detection of the identity and the power supply are effected via the supply terminals (4a, 4b).

[Figure]

IN THE CLAIMS:

The claims have been amended as follows:

3. (Amended) The supply unit as claimed in claim 1 [either of claims 1 and 2], characterized in that the detection and

the power supply are effected exclusively via the supply terminals .

6. (Amended) The method as claimed in claim 4 [or 5], wherein it is performed repeatedly during the operation of the LED unit .

13. (Amended) A system comprising [a supply unit as claimed in claim 1 and] at least one LED unit as claimed in claim 9.